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In re Application of: Mühlbauer *et al.*

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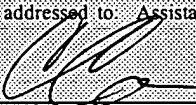
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Sir:

This preliminary amendment places this Continuation Application of the prior Application Serial No. 09/169,559, filed on October 9, 1998 (a copy of which is filed herewith) in condition to begin prosecution.

Instructions to amend the specification, and replacement or added paragraphs in clean form pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b), and a clean version of the rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(i) is included beginning on page 2 of this communication. A marked-up version of the specification's replacement paragraphs pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b), as well as rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii) is attached as Appendix I. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(3) as they would appear following entry of this amendment is attached as Appendix II.

Prior to examination, please amend the application submitted herewith as follows: